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For: MASKING MEMBER, LIGHT MEASURING  
METHOD , LIGHT MEASURING KIT AND  
LIGHT MEASURING CONTAINER

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN RCE**

Concurrently filed herein with a Request for Continued Examination and prior to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows. This filing is in response to the Final Office Action dated April 28, 2011, the period for response to which extends through August 29, 2011 (August 28, 2011 being a Sunday), by the concurrently-filed petition for a one-month extension of time and corresponding fee payment.